FUTURE DIRECTIONS IN CONSERVATION
SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM

JOINING INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACCE DTP, EAO DTP STUDENTS & CHESTER ZOO
CONSERVATION SCHOLARS

MONDAY, APRIL 24TH - DAY 1

Special guided ‘Meet the Scientists’ tour, and lunch will take place at the Chester Zoo. Participants will have an opportunity to hear about Chester Zoo’s conservation and scientific work from a range of speakers including the curatorial, keeping and science staff, and from Chester Zoo’s Conservation Scholars. Arrangements will be made to get to and from the zoo, and we hope you will have an informative and relaxing day.

GENERAL INFORMATION
Please meet at the entrance of the zoo, opposite the Guest Services building.

Chester zoo scholars
Please bring your name badges to allow you access to the zoo as we will have limited numbers of complimentary tickets on the day. If you are giving a talk, you are not required to attend for the entire duration of the day, and can ‘pop-in’ for your talk only. If you would like to do this, please find the group at least 10 minutes before your talk.

ACCE DTP & EAO DTP students
We will provide you with lanyards to allow you access to the zoo. Please meet us opposite the Guest Services building by the main entrance of the zoo. A member of staff will be present from 9:45 onwards. Lunch will be provided for you at 13:00-14:00 in the Jungle Party Den, next to the monorail stop by the lion enclosure.

HOW TO FIND CHESTER ZOO
http://www.chesterzoo.org/plan-your-visit/how-to-get-here

By Car
Chester Zoo is well signposted on the main roads around Chester. Follow the motorway signs towards Chester and you will see the brown zoo signs as you approach the city. If you’re using a Sat Nav, please use postcode CH2 1EU.

By Public Transport
You can take the Upton Park & Ride bus from Chester train station.

TUESDAY, APRIL 25TH AND WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26TH - DAY 2 AND 3
The main symposium will take place at the Queens Hotel. Details of the symposium are available here.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**
Travel costs can be claimed back by collecting a University of Manchester external expenses claim form (PR7) from the registration desk at the symposium, or by email request via futureconsci@gmail.com. All receipts must be attached to the signed claim form in order for a reimbursement to be processed.
Free Internet access will be available for all participants in the hotel.
Accommodation, for those that have requested it, is provided at the Queens Hotel from Monday evening with breakfast provided. Any student wishing to arrive early will need to make their own arrangements. Lunch will be provided each day. Evening meals are at student’s own cost (with the exception of Tuesday 25th April, when there will be a conference dinner).

**SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**
Tuesday 25th April 2017
6.00pm Poster session and drinks reception
7.15pm Symposium 3-course dinner with wine and soft drinks

**HOW TO FIND THE QUEENS HOTEL**
Hallmark Hotel The Queen, Chester is within walking distance of the city centre, opposite Chester Railway Station.
You can find a detailed map and directions here
For hotel guests, situated next to the hotel is a pay and display car park. Details of costing and parking procedures are listed below for your information and are available in the car park. Please note that the car park does not belong to the hotel. Car parking spaces are subject to availability. Guests who are staying at the hotel overnight receive a specially reduced 24 hr rate. Guests must enter their full, correct vehicle registration details into the terminal at reception within the Queen Hotel to obtain a parking permit (£10 per night Mon - Thurs, per night).

**POSTERS**
Posters will be in portrait format, up to a maximum size of A0. A schedule of posters will be available at the registration desk and you will be allocated a numbered poster board. Please ensure your poster is displayed from 8.45am on Tuesday 25th April until 4 pm on Wednesday 26th April.

**ORAL PRESENTATIONS**
When you arrive at the registration desk, you will be able to upload your oral presentation on a laptop via the registration desk assistants. Please ensure that your talk is uploaded at the start of the conference, irrespective of which day you are presenting.
GENERAL INFORMATION
Please meet at the Lecture Theatre (not the main zoo entrance) from 8.45am. Lunch will be provided.

HOW TO FIND LECTURE THEATRE AT THE CHESTER ZOO
The Lecture Theatre is off the A41, just before the Park & Ride near the zoo's main entrance. http://www.chesterzoo.org/plan-your-visit/how-to-get-here

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